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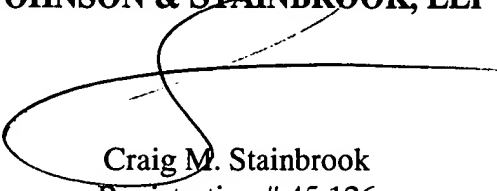
Transmitted herewith for filing is an Amendment of patent application of Richard D. Simon, U.S. Pat. Appl. Ser. No. 09/642,249, for a GRAVITY FLOW SLUDGE LOAD-OUT SYSTEM, said amendment submitted in response to the office action dated October 2, 2001.

Enclosed are the following:

Amendment and Remarks (11 pages);
Submission of Proposed Corrected Drawings (2 sheets, informal);
Petition for 3-Month Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a)1);
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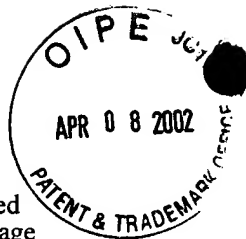
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Applicant: SIMON, Richard D., et al.

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LOAD-OUT SYSTEM

Examiner: Cecil, T.

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SUBMISSION OF PROPOSED CORRECTED DRAWINGS

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are substitute informal drawings (2 sheets) for filing in the above-identified U.S. patent application. These substitute drawings are submitted in response to the Examiner's indications in the Office Action mailed 10/02/01, and show proposed changes in accordance with the Examiner's indications in red ink.

Applicant submits that no new matter is introduced into the disclosure of the application through the submission of these substitute drawings and therefore respectfully requests that these sheets replace the corresponding sheets already on file.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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